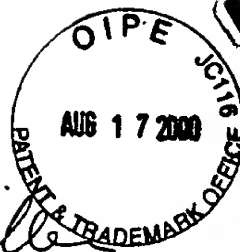


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This petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) is to delete  
the name of the following person originally named as an inventor  
and who is not the inventor of the invention now being claimed:  
David Charles DeCava.

The claims pending in this application recite the sole  
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Authorization is hereby given to charge deposit account  
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